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- Former CIA director, Adm. W.F. Raborn Jr., is back at Aerojet-General Corporation as vice president - general representative. His headquarters are at the company's Washington office, 1120 Connecticut Ave. N.W. /// The 5th International Conference on Nondestructive Testing will be held May 21-26, 1967 in Montreal, Canada. For information and/or advance registration forms, write 5th International Conference on Nondestructive Testing, P.O. Box 95, Verdun, Quebec, Canada. /// The University of Wisconsin Electrical Engineering Department reports that a new iterative-analog computer can simulate operating conditions of a hydrofoil on water, indicating that the computer can be used to design new hydrofoil control systems "with less cost and time" than by traditional methods. /// A Symposium on Technology and World Trade is scheduled for Nov. 16 and 17 in conjunction with dedication of the National Bureau of Standards' new $120 million facilities at Gaithersburg, Md. Commerce Secretary John Connor is sponsoring it. For further information, contact Robert Stern, Chief, Office of Industrial Services, NBS, Washington, D.C. 20234. /// Nathan Fine, mathematics professor at Pennsylvania State University, will deliver the Earle Raymond Hedrick Lectures at the Mathematical Association of America meeting at Rutgers Aug. 29 - Sept. 1. His lectures, on "Basic Hypergeometric Series and Applications," will later be expanded and published in a book by the American Mathematical Society. /// The Federal Aviation Agency is reminding amateur rocket launchers that they are prohibited from firing rockets into FAA controlled airspace, into clouds, within five miles of an airport, at night, or within 1,500 ft. of any person or property not connected with the launching. Full regulations are available from any FAA control tower, flight service station or district office.

- The 9th Mechanisms Conference of the ASME will be held Oct. 10-12 at Purdue University, Lafayette, Ind. Write for programs or information to Machine Design Division, The American Society of Mechanical Engineers, United Engineering Center, 345 E. 47th St., New York, N.Y. 10017. /// "Unavoidable delays in equipment procurement and building construction" have delayed until Dec. 1 the target date for transferring the services of NBS broadcast station WWV in Greenbelt, Md. to Fort Collins, Colo. Inquiries should be directed to Director, National Bureau of Standards, Attention: Broadcast Services 251.02, Boulder, Colo. 80302. /// Single copies of a new booklet, "An Improved Method for Evaluating the Incendivity of Explosives to Coal Dust," RI 6815, are available free from Publications Distribution Section, Bureau of Mines, 4800 Forbes Ave., Pittsburgh, Pa. 15213. /// U.S. Navy Ship Structure Committee reports will now be available through the Defense Documentation Center or from Clearinghouse, U.S. Department of Commerce, Springfield, Va. 22151. They were formerly held by Secretary of the Navy.

- The Army's new Metrology Center at Redstone Arsenal, Ala. will be named in honor of the late Maj. Gen. John M. Cone, commanding general of the White Sands Missile Range, N.M. at the time of his death. /// Single sets of 18 different test methods for vinyl dispersions are available free from The Society of the Plastics Industry, Inc., 250 Park Ave., New York, N.Y. 10017. /// ESSA now lends support to the folk claim that you can predict bad weather by the way your arthritis is acting up. According to H.E. Landsberg, director of ESSA's Environmental Data Service, falling atmospheric pressure and rising humidity can cause pains and swelling of joints in rheumatoid arthritis. /// Col. Henry Mazur is the new chief of the U.S. Strike Command's System Program Office for the Electronic Systems Division of the AF Systems Command at L.G. Hanscom Field, Mass. He replaces Col. Donald Bowry, now commander of the Electronic Systems Divisions Detachment 11 at Hickam AFB, Hawaii.

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